

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196  
JULY 15, 2013  
5:30 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sesser-Valier Community Unit School District No. 196 was held in the High School Library at 5:30 PM on Monday, July 15, 2013. The meeting was called to order by President Chris Gore.

**ROLL CALL**

Secretary Malinee called the roll with the following result:

Members Present: Gore, Gulley, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Stacey

Members Absent: Robbins

Staff Present: J. Henry, J. Logsdon, W. Choate, V. Malinee, and M. Sample

Visitors Present: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE**

Superintendent Henry presented two thank you notes to the board for expressions of sympathy from the families of Evan Sink and Mary Wilcox (Lori Gibson's Mother).

Donald Robbins arrived at 5:34 PM.

**REPORTS**

SEA: No report.

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: No report.

K-8 PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/JH Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, Illinois KIDS (Kindergarten Individual Development Survey), and upcoming activities and dates.

H.S. PRINCIPAL: Mr. Choate, High School Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund and upcoming calendar entries. Mr. Choate asked board for direction on the prices for the reserved chair seats and reserved bleacher seats. Discussion followed which included existing seats, looking into having padded seats, etc. No board action was taken regarding prices on reserved seats.

SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. Henry, Superintendent, presented the following information to the board:

1. The consent agenda for this month's meeting includes the following additional item(s):
  - a. Approval of a memorandum of understanding with Franklin Hospital for employee drug testing service
  - b. Approval of the Illinois Association of School Boards Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Trust (WCSIT) Intergovernmental Cooperative Pooling Agreement
  - c. Approval of a Sports Medicine Athletic Trainer Support Program Agreement (Sportsology)
  - d. Approval milk & bread bids for the 2013-2014 school year
  - e. Approval & display of revised board policies (1<sup>st</sup> reading)
2. The latest information regarding state school funding for 2013-2014 is as follows:
  - 67% of Illinois school districts were deficit spending in FY13.
  - 2013-2014 General State Aid has been calculated statewide at an 89% proration.
  - The amount of GSA lost due to proration during FY13 was \$392,231.53.
3. The status of our special summer projects (all small projects) is listed below:
  - Locker Room Flooring Refinish: Complete
  - Dishwasher replacement: Complete
  - HS Commons Restroom Remodeling: In-Progress
  - Football Field Press Box Roof Replacement: Complete
  - Old Gym Masonry (Window) Work: Not started
  - Sidewalk Concrete Repair Work: Not started
4. During Spring, 2013, Mr. Henry convened a representative group of employees to review the district's health insurance. The group met three times, and has reviewed the current Egyptian Trust health insurance plans available in the school district, the health insurance claims experience, and an additional, lower-cost Egyptian Trust plan that is available. Based on this committee's work and recommendation, Mr. Henry recommends that the Board act to make the Egyptian Trust High Deductible Health Plan available to its employees during the 2013-2014 school year.
5. On July 15, 2013, the attached correspondence to the Board from a physician assistant at Sleep Medicine Associates, LLC, in Murphysboro, IL, was received.
6. As of this writing, the following Fiscal Year 2013 payments are due & payable to the school district:

<b>Categorical Payments</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>	<b>Voucher Date</b>	<b>Regular Payment Date</b>	<b>Date Paid*</b>
<b>Special Education: Personnel</b>	\$23,176.75	9/24/2012	9/30/2012	01/08/2013
	\$23,176.75	12/19/2012	12/30/2012	03/26/2013
	\$23,176.75	03/26/2013	3/30/2013	04/29/2013
	\$23,176.75	06/17/2013	6/20/2013	07/01/2013
<b>Special Education: Extraordinary</b>	\$25,577.10	9/24/2012	9/30/2012	01/08/2013
	\$25,577.10	12/19/2012	12/30/2012	03/26/2013
	\$25,577.10	03/26/2013	3/30/2013	04/30/2013
	\$25,577.10	06/17/2013	6/20/2013	07/01/2013
<b>Transportation: Regular</b>	\$50,125.99	9/24/2012	9/30/2012	01/17/2013
	\$49,831.27	12/19/2012	12/30/2012	03/26/2013
	\$49,831.27	03/26/2013	3/30/2013	04/30/2013
	\$49,831.27	06/17/2013	6/15/2013	07/01/2013
<b>Transportation: Special Education</b>	\$15,976.88	9/24/2012	9/30/2012	01/08/2013
	\$15,994.01	12/19/2012	12/30/2012	03/25/2013
	\$15,993.18	03/26/2013	3/30/2013	04/29/2013
	\$15,993.17	06/17/2013	6/15/2013	07/01/2013
<b>Driver Education</b>	\$2,119.24	9/25/2012	9/30/2012	01/09/2013
	\$2,119.24	12/19/2012	12/31/2012	04/02/2013
	\$2,119.24	03/26/2013	3/31/2013	06/25/2013
	\$2,119.24	06/17/2013	6/30/2013	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$467,069.40</b>			

\*Total payments to date: \$464,950.16 (99.55% of payments due for FY13)

Other state payments due & payable:

- DHS Teen REACH Grant Program: \$18,154.30

**Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2013 State Payments: \$20,273.54**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Stacey approving the minutes of the previous meeting: June 10, 2013 (Regular Meeting); Treasurer's report; the bills in the amount of \$230,063.00 and salaries in the amount of \$347,491.36; approval of the memorandum of understanding with Franklin Hospital for employee drug testing service; approval of the Illinois Association of School Boards Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Trust (WCSIT) Intergovernmental Cooperative Pooling Agreement; approval of Sports Medicine Athletic Trainer Support Agreement (Sportsology); approval of the bids for milk (awarded to Prairie Farms) and bread (awarded to Lewis Bakeries) for the 2013-2014 school year; and approval and display of the revised board policies (1<sup>st</sup> reading), as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Gore, Gulley, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey

Nays: None

There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION REFERENCING BOARD ADVISORY REGARDING EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY SCHEDULING:** A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Kelly to adopt a Resolution Referencing Board Advisory Regarding Extracurricular Activity Scheduling, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Gulley, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Gore

Nays: None

There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION REFERENCING BOARD ADVISORY REGARDING DISTRICT PURCHASES:** A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins to adopt a Resolution Referencing Board Advisory Regarding District Purchases, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Gore, Gulley

Nays: None

There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERINTENDENT TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT (FIRE ALARM TESTING SERVICES):** A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Stacey to authorize the District Superintendent or his designee to execute an agreement for fire alarm system testing services for Fiscal Year 2014.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**STATUS OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES:** A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Kelly to keep all closed session minutes closed to the public.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**DESTRUCTION OF CLOSED SESSION VERBATIM RECORD AUDIO RECORDINGS:** A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to authorize and direct the Superintendent to destroy the verbatim closed session records (audio recordings) for the following closed session meetings: August 8, 2011; October 17, 2011; December 12, 2011.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

Donald Robbins asked for discussion on the agreement with Sportsology, in particular the clause regarding athletic supplies. Discussion followed.

**CLOSED SESSION:** At 6:49 PM, a motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing the following exceptions to the Open Meetings Act:

- a. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-57)

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Gulley, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Gore

Nays: None

There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION:** At 7:12 PM, a motion was made by Hicks and seconded by Stacey to reconvene from closed session.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF DISTRICT HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN ADDITIONAL OFFERING:** A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Stacey to authorize the District's participation in the Egyptian Trust High Deductible Health Plan in addition to all Egyptian Trust health plans currently offered in the District, as presented.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

Carroll Kelly recused himself from the following board action.

**EMPLOYMENT OF EXTRACURRICULAR COACH AND/OR SPONSOR (SPOTANSKI, KRISTIE):** A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Hicks to employ Kristie Spotanski as an extra-duty Teen REACH Grant Coordinator and to set the annual stipend for said position at no more than \$7,400 (including TRS), subject to grant requirements and any subsequent amendments, cancellations, or suspensions of the grant program.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Gore, Gulley, Hicks

Nays: None

There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**EMPLOYMENT OF EXTRACURRICULAR COACH AND/OR SPONSOR (HACKER, LESLIE):** A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to employ Leslie Hacker as an extra-duty Teen REACH Grant Assistant Coordinator and to set the annual stipend for said position at no more than \$5,000 (including TRS), subject to grant requirements and any subsequent amendments, cancellations, or suspensions of the grant program.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Robbins, Stacey, Gore, Gulley, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks

Nays: None

There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF EMPLOYEE RESIGNATIONS:** A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Stacey to acknowledge the following employee resignations:

- Library Secretarial Clerk (Elementary): Sahara Weaver (effective July 31, 2013)
- Elementary/JHS Office Manager: Debbie Milk (effective July 31, 2013)

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**POSTING OF POSITION:** A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Kelly to post the following position:

- Library Secretarial Clerk (Elementary)
- Elementary/JHS Office Manager

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF DISTRICT SECRETARY/BOOKKEEPER/TREASURER SALARY AND/OR BENEFITS FOR 2013-2014:** A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Stacey to increase the district bookkeeper salary of Vera Malinee by \$1,000 for 2013-2014.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Gore, Gulley

Nays: None

There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**AUTHORIZE SUPERINTENDENT TO POST POSITIONS ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS:** A motion was made by Loucks and seconded by Kelly to authorize the Superintendent to post positions on an as-needed basis.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**AUTHORIZE SUPERINTENDENT TO MAKE FACULTY/STAFF TRANSFERS AND/OR APPOINTMENTS ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS:** A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Robbins to authorize the Superintendent to make faculty/staff transfers and/or appointments on an as-needed basis.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Hicks to adjourn.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.

**CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES**

The above-listed account of the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sesser-Valier Community Unit School District No. 196, held on Monday, July 15, 2013 at 5:30 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.

  
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Board President

  
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Board Secretary